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MEET US ON LANKERSHIM BLVD



4/5 @ 1 - 2:30 PM

Robertson Honda
5841 Lankershim Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601

4/5 @ 3 - 4:30 PM

Roma Deli
6449 Lankershim Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601

4/12 @ 10 AM

NoHo BID
5026 Lankershim Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601

4/12 @ 7 PM

Neighborhood Council
Senior Citizen Center
5301 Tujunga Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601



Dear Friend:

Lankershim Boulevard runs through the heart of the East Valley. It is a major corridor that connects our communities to one another. In 2014, this busy thoroughfare between Magnolia Boulevard and Vanowen Street was one of the first 15 streets to be designated as part of the Mayor's LA Great Streets Initiative.

The program aims to improve pedestrian safety, enhance streets with improved infrastructure and add green space to areas that lack it. With the help of my office, the Great Streets Initiative and city departments have been reaching out to important businesses, residents and stakeholders on the designated corridor to identify ways that we can increase safety, mobility and economic vitality for the area.

Great Streets Proposal

North Hollywood is already a desirable neighborhood for people who live in the area and, in recent years, has become a destination for anyone looking to experience good food, entertainment and culture. The Great Streets Initiative is looking to take NoHo's positives and enhance them. I see it as an opportunity to revitalize a section of Lankershim and further beautify the neighborhood, but before we move forward, it is important that the city gets your thoughts on what will be best for our neighborhood.

The Mayor's Great Streets plan proposes adding street trees and landscaping along the corridor, including a protected bike lane, improving pedestrian crosswalks and much more. You can read the full proposal here: lagreatstreets.org/lankershim.

Come to a Community Meeting

Next week and the week after, there are four opportunities to share your input about the proposed Great Streets project on Lankershim Boulevard and how it would impact you. You can attend any of the scheduled meetings to learn more about the program and what developments are being proposed.

April 5, 1 pm - 2:30 pm

Robertson Honda
5841 Lankershim Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601

April 5, 3 pm - 4:30 pm

Roma Deli
6449 Lankershim Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601

April 12, 10 am

NoHo BID
5026 Lankershim Blvd.
NoHo, CA 9160

April 12, 7 pm

Mid-Town NoHo
Neighborhood Council
Senior Citizen Center
5301 Tujunga Blvd.
NoHo, CA 91601

Take the Greet Streets Survey

If you can't make it to one of the scheduled meetings, visit lagreatstreets.org/lankershim to learn about the project and take an online survey to share your feedback. Again, we can't do this without your input, so please make your opinion and your voice heard.

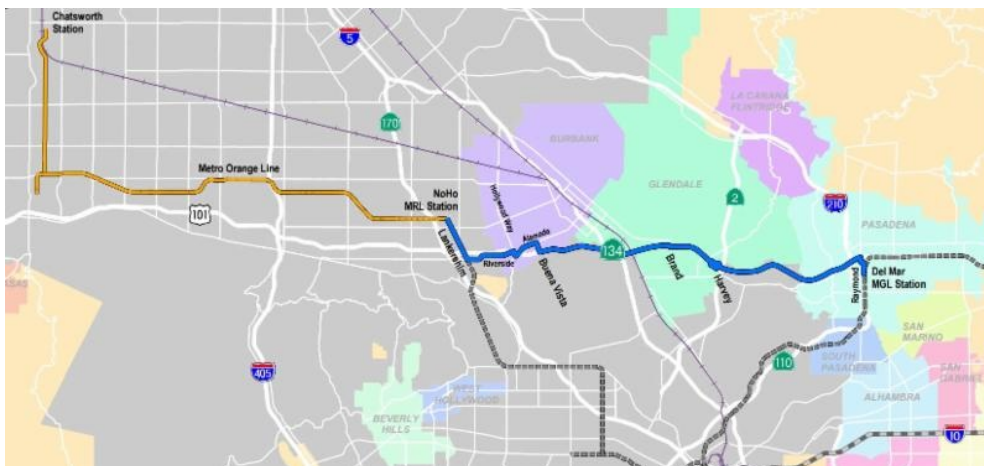
Very truly yours,



Councilmember Paul Krekorian, District 2

TOP STORY

Metro Board Approves NoHo to Pasadena Transit Study



LOS ANGELES - The Metro Board of Directors voted to advance the North Hollywood to Pasadena Bus Rapid Transit project into environmental review to consider two viable options that will provide an important regional transportation link between the San Gabriel and San Fernando Valleys.

The North Hollywood to Pasadena BRT study will evaluate both freeway and street options to determine which potential project provides the most enhanced transit service, attracts new riders, improves traffic flow, provides improved access to major activity centers and destinations, and enhances regional connectivity. This 16-mile transit corridor link would ease traffic, meet the growing demand for transit in the San Fernando Valley, and contribute to the success of the countywide transit system by adding better regional connectivity.

As a Metro Board Member, Councilmember Krekorian is committed to ensuring the best and greatest possible service to residents in the City of Los Angeles and beyond.

Progress Report: Studio City Sinkhole



STUDIO CITY - The city is making progress on the sewer repair work at Laurel Canyon Boulevard and Woodbridge Street. Recently, slip liner pipes were installed and grouted in for the sewer section under Laurel Canyon and the same slip liner pipe was extended into the sinkhole. A new maintenance hole structure is being built inside the sinkhole to tie the slip lined pipe and the existing sewer together. Concrete covers will be installed to seal the pump wet well.

Other remaining work includes removing the bypass discharge line that crosses Laurel Canyon, restoring the maintenance hole, backfilling the street openings and coordinating with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation to restore the traffic lanes. Crews will continue to work 12 hours a day until the repair is complete, which should be in mid-April.

Odor control measures are in place until all the openings are covered. Impacted neighbors should call the Los Angeles Sanitation Customer Care Center at 800-773-2489 with any sewer odor concerns.

One lane of traffic in both directions remains open on newly restriped Laurel Canyon, although intermittent closures may still happen. Woodbridge remains closed in the area. Residents and commuters can expect ongoing delays in the area during repairs and should continue to use caution when passing through.

Visit emergency.lacity.org for updates and a map of the affected area.

That's a Wrap!

NoHo Cinefest Announces 2017 Festival Winners



Councilmember Krekorian at the 4th Annual North Hollywood Cinefest with the winners of the LA Student Film Festival short film winners. | Photo: CD2

NORTH HOLLYWOOD - The North Hollywood Cinefest celebrated the finale of its fourth annual film festival this week. Councilmember Krekorian honored the evening's top filmmakers and the student finalists of the LA Student Film Festival during the event's award ceremony. This year was the first time Krekorian's student film festival partnered with North Hollywood Cinefest.

In 2017, the student portion of the film festival received more than 100 submissions from dozens of high schools across LA County, including Harvard-Westlake, Van Nuys High School, El Camino High School, Taft High School, North Hollywood High School, and Burbank High School. Congratulations to the filmmakers and the festival winners!

Read more about North Hollywood Cinefest here: www.nohocinefest.com.

CITY SPOTLIGHT

LADWP Achieves 25 Percent Renewable Energy Milestone



LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power recently hit a major clean energy milestone, achieving the state-legislated goal of 25 percent of all energy retail sales coming from renewable energy.

Thanks to the completion of the 250-megawatt Moapa Southern Paiute Solar Project and several other new large-scale solar facilities, LA has been receiving clean power since the end of 2016.

The Moapa Southern Paiute Solar Project, built by First Solar, Inc., and located on the Moapa River Indian Reservation in Clark County, Nevada, began sending solar power to Los Angeles residents and businesses in December 2016. The facility, which features more than 3.2 million advanced thin film photovoltaic solar panels, generates enough clean energy for nearly 111,000 Los Angeles homes, offsetting over 341,000 metric tons of carbon emissions from a traditional power plant. That amount of carbon emissions is equivalent to removing about 73,000 gasoline vehicles from the road for one year.

The utility is also on track to meet the next milestones of 33 percent of renewable energy sales by 2020, 55 percent by 2030 and 65 percent or more by 2036, and is studying the feasibility of going to 100 percent, a goal proposed last year by Councilmembers Krekorian and Bonin.

COMMUNITY CORNER

Apply Now for Krekorian's Youth Leadership Academy



The inaugural class of Councilmember Krekorian's San Fernando Valley Youth Leadership Academy.
| Photo: CD2

EAST VALLEY - The San Fernando Valley Youth Leadership Academy is accepting applications for the program's second year. The summer academy, which was launched by Councilmember Krekorian last year, is a civic engagement program geared toward high school students interested in local government and cultivating their leadership skills.

During the academy, students will learn about the role of city government and participate in fun, practical projects that directly impact the San Fernando Valley on issues such as youth education and empowerment, homelessness and social services, sustainability and environmental protection, emergency response and preparedness, city planning and more. They will get an up-close look at a career in public service.

The youth leadership academy is open to all high school students who live in the portions of the San Fernando Valley in the City of Los Angeles. If you are thoughtful, responsible and inquisitive about the functions and purpose of our city government, the youth leadership academy is for you.

To apply for the San Fernando Valley Youth Leadership Academy, visit www.paulkrekorian.org/leadership.

The deadline to apply for this summer's academy is Friday, April 7.

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



Councilmember Krekorian joined the Bangladesh Unity Federation of Los Angeles to celebrate the 46th anniversary of Bangladesh's independence. | Photo: CD2



Councilmember Krekorian joined the Studio City Chamber of Commerce, Neighborhood Council, and the Studio City Residents Association for a community update. | Photo: CD2



**11275 Chandler Blvd.
North Hollywood, CA 91601**

You are invited to a community open house to kick off the next phase of the North Hollywood Station Joint Development project. This project will transform 15.6 acres of Metro-owned property at the NoHo Station into a mixed-use, transit-oriented development with open space, retail and neighborhood amenities. This meeting will provide an update of the progress that's been made on the project and discuss next steps. For more information, go to metro.net/projects/jd-sfv or email tiniod@metro.net.



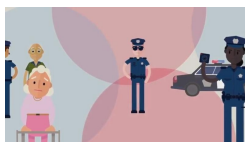
The Great LA River Cleanup
April 15, 9 am - 12 noon
Tujunga Wash at Haines Channel
9499 Tujunga Valley St,
Sunland-Tujunga, CA 91040

It's time to roll up your sleeves and show your love for the LA River - the Great LA River Cleanup is back for 2017! Registration is open now - join today and be part of the largest urban river cleanup in America. To register, visit foliar.org/cleanup.



HealthX- Career Fair & Expo
Saturday, April 19 8:30 am
LA Valley College
5800 Fulton Ave.
Valley Glen, CA 91401

LA Valley College invites you to HealthX- Career Fair & Expo. You'll have the opportunity to meet companies ranging from America's biggest employers to small companies from across the region, hear TED talk style presentations, and see demonstrations on the latest and most innovative health and wellness practices. The event will also feature free health screenings, health activities, premier health providers, health services and business resources. Register for the event today: www.tinyurl.com/HealthX-Expo.



Community Input on the LAPD's Video Policy
Hosted by the UCLA and NYU Schools of Law
www.lapdvideopolicy.org

Should the LAPD release body camera videos after an officer-involved shooting? If so, when? And who should make the decision? The Los Angeles Police Commission is considering a new policy on the release of video. It has asked the Policing Project, along with UCLA School of Law and UCI School of Law to help gather public input on what the policy should be. Go to www.lapdvideopolicy.org to take an online questionnaire to share your views. You also can submit more detailed written comments, or attend a community forum to be announced in April.



National Alliance on Mental Illness
FREE Peer-to-Peer Recovery Course
To register, contact (818) 994-6747

NAMI San Fernando Valley is offering this course designed to encourage growth, healing and recovery among participants. NAMI Peer-to-Peer is a free, 10-session educational program for adults with mental illness who are looking to better understand their conditions and journey toward recovery. Taught by a trained team, the program includes presentation, discussion and interactive exercises. All participants are required to register by calling (818)

994-6747 or emailing info@namisanfernandovalley.org.

[Click here to view all the upcoming events on our Community Calendar.](#)

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